



The OIE PVS Pathway

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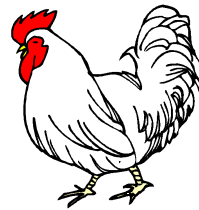
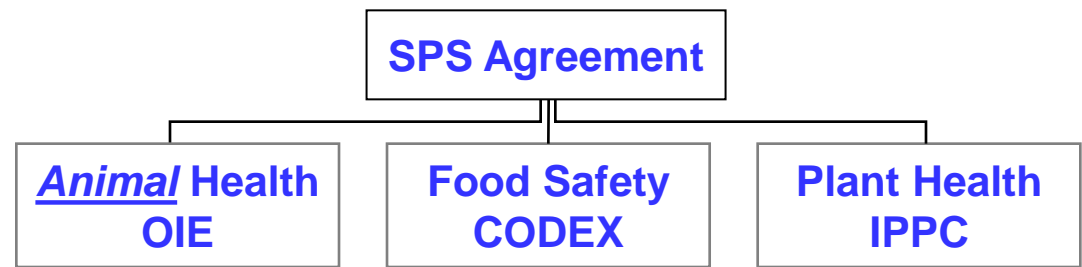
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OIE Standards

- > **OIE international standards**, guidelines and recommendations for **animal health and zoonoses**

- > Including standards on quality of Veterinary Services and/or Aquatic Animal Health Services

WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION



International standard setting organisations

Quality of Veterinary Services - Background

- **Chapters** on the evaluation of Veterinary Services and guidelines for the evaluation of Veterinary Services developed late 1990s and refined since.
- **Section 3** (quality of Veterinary Services) added in the 17th edition (2008)
 - Chapter 3.1: Veterinary Services;
 - Chapter 3.2: Evaluation of Veterinary Services.
- Applicable to Veterinary Services in all regions.
- OIE definition of Veterinary Services **comprises public and private sector veterinarians and vet para-professionals.**

Nota bene: In the Aquatic Animal Health Code, Chapter 3.1 is devoted to the quality of Aquatic Animal Health Services.

Quality of Veterinary Services - Background

- > **Quality of Veterinary Services depends on set of factors**
 - > Including fundamental principles of an ethical, organisational and technical nature.
- > **Veterinary Services should conform to these principles**
 - > Regardless of political, economic or social situation.
- > **Conformance important to credibility**
 - > For health status claim;
 - > For international health certification.
- > **Quality of Veterinary Services can be measured through an evaluation**

Evaluation of Veterinary Services

> Code Article 3.1.3

> **Every Member should recognise the right of another to undertake, or request it to undertake, an evaluation of its Veterinary Services**

> Where the initiating Member is an actual or a prospective importer or exporter of commodities.

> **Evaluation should be conducted in accordance with Code Chapter 3.2.**

> In applying Chapter 3.2 in an evaluation, the OIE PVS tool should be used for guidance.

Evaluation of Veterinary Services

> Code Article 3.2.1: General consideration

The purpose of the PVS evaluation missions is to assist:

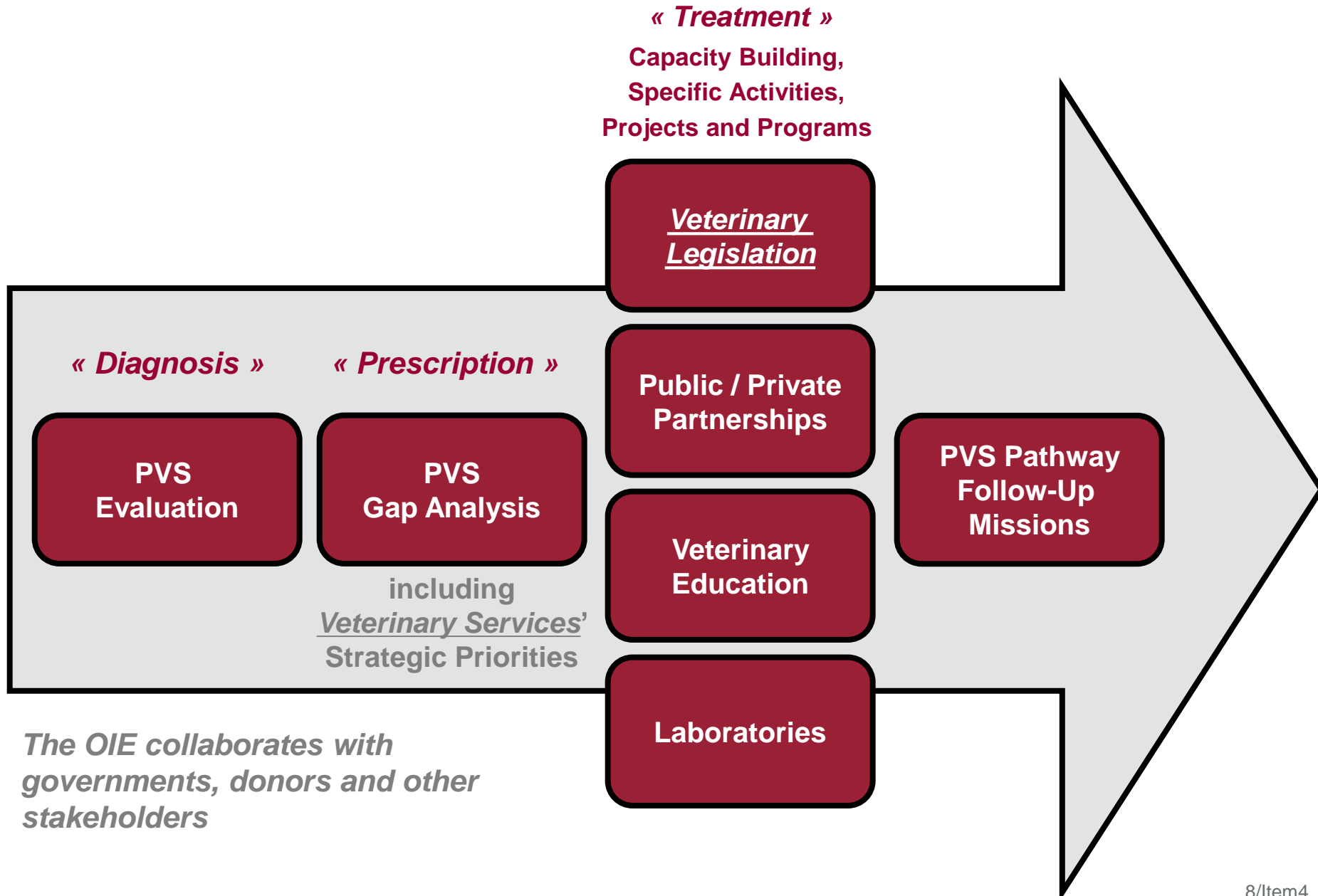
- > A national authority in the decision-making process regarding priorities to be given to its own Veterinary Services (self-evaluation);
- > The process of risk analysis in international trade in animals and animal-derived products to which official sanitary and/or zoosanitary controls apply.

Evaluation of Veterinary Services

> Code Article 3.2.1: General consideration

- > For self-evaluation and external evaluation, the evaluation should demonstrate that the '**Veterinary Services have the capability for effective control of the sanitary and zosanitary status of animals and animal products**'.
- > Key elements to be covered:
 - > Adequacy of resources;
 - > Management capability;
 - > Legislative and administrative infrastructures;
 - > Independence in the exercise of official functions;
 - > History of performance, including disease reporting.

OIE PVS Pathway



The OIE collaborates with governments, donors and other stakeholders

The **OIE PVS Pathway**
is a **continuous process** aiming to
sustainably improve the compliance of
Veterinary Services with **international**
standards.

The origins of the PVS Pathway

- > **late 1990s** - Development of TAHC chapters on the evaluation of Veterinary Services and guidelines for the evaluation;
- > **2005** - Creation of the PVS Tool (OIE – IICA);
- > **2006** - First Training of OIE PVS Certified Experts;
- > **2006** - The World Assembly adopted revised chapters on the Evaluation of Veterinary Services including reference to the OIE PVS tool to be used for self evaluation and for evaluations by the OIE;
- > **2006** - First official PVS request and first OIE PVS Evaluation mission;
- > **2008** - Full Section on quality of Veterinary Services (Section 3) adopted for the 17th edition of the TAHC;
- > **2008** - First official PVS Gap Analysis request and first mission
- > **2009** - More recent training of PVS Certified Experts (n=250);
- > **2009** - First Training of OIE PVS Gap Analysis Certified Experts;
- > **2009** - Development of the PVS Pathway.

PVS Evaluation of Veterinary Services

the diagnosis

OIE PVS Evaluation

A specific methodology has been developed and the OIE has published the *OIE Tool for the Evaluation of Performance of Veterinary Services (OIE PVS Tool)* as the basis for evaluating performance against the international standards published in the *Terrestrial Code*. A similar tool is available for the evaluation of Aquatic *Animal* Health Services.

OIE PVS Evaluation

- > **External independent process (objectivity)**
 - > **Experts** trained and **certified by the OIE**;
 - > Based on facts & evidence, not impressions.
- > **Following requests from the countries (voluntary basis)**
- > **To assess:**
 - > Compliance with OIE Standards;
 - > Strengths / Weaknesses;
 - > Gaps / areas for improvement.
- > **Using tools recognized by OIE Members and international donors**
- > **Not audit**
- > **Country property (confidentiality of results)**

Country PVS Reports Status

- > **Confidential**: very few;
- > **Restricted**: 78 - currently means “available for transmission to Donors and Partners”;
- > **Public (OIE website)**: in the public domain (17% to date):
Belize; Bolivia; Botswana; Brazil; Chile; Guinea-Bissau;
Haiti; Namibia; Panama; Paraguay; Syria; Uruguay;
Vietnam.

http://www.oie.int/eng/oie/organisation/en_oie_pvs_eval_reports.htm?e1d2

OIE PVS Evaluation Missions

State of play (up to 1 March 2012)

	OIE Members	Requests received	Missions Implemented	Reports available for (restricted) distribution to Donors and Partners
Africa	52	51	47	35
Americas	29	22	20	17
Asia, the Far East and Oceania	32	18	17	11
Europe	53	14	14	10
Middle East	12	12	11	5
TOTAL	178	117	109	78

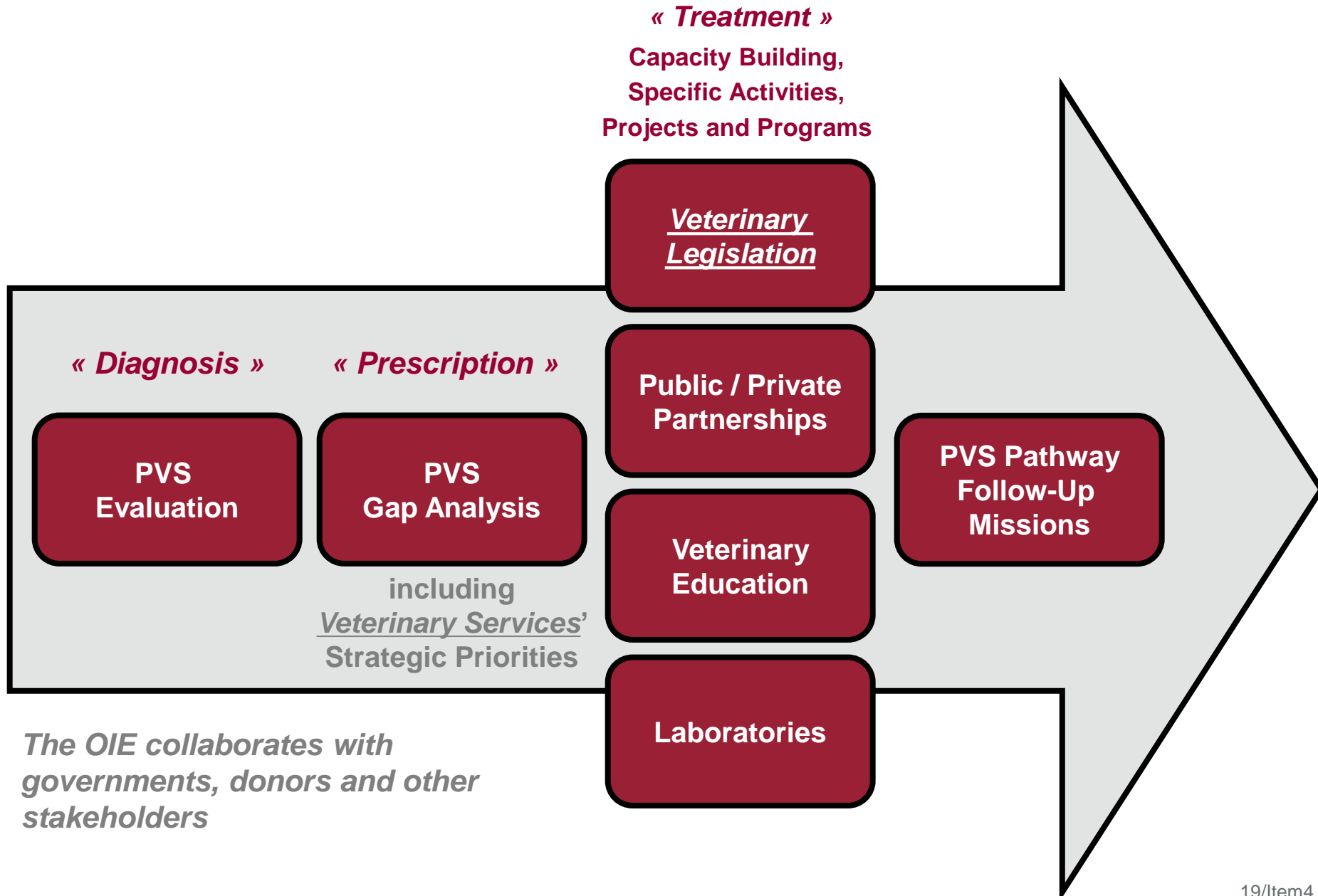
The global diagnostic

- > Insufficient national chain of command;
- > Weakness of private sector organizations;
- > Few compensation mechanisms;
- > Limited ability to control livestock movements;
- > Constraints to implement biosecurity measures;
- > Difficulty of implementing appropriate vaccination;
- > Failures in the control of veterinary drugs, market access and the development of private sector veterinary services.

PVS Gap Analysis

the prescription

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PVS Gap Analysis Objectives

- › To determine and confirm **country priorities**.
- › To determine the **activities to be carried out** in order to achieve the expected results for the priority critical competencies of the OIE PVS Tool which are relevant to the national context.
- › To **estimate** the human, physical and financial **resources** required to implement these activities.
- › To prepare an **estimated budget**.
- › To support the **preparation of investment programmes**.

Use of the PVS Gap Analysis Report

- > **In country discussions** with the relevant Minister, other Ministries, Ministry of Finance, Prime Minister, Head of State, National Parliament, depending on the context of the country.
- > **Round tables**, in the country, with Donor Agencies and International Organisations, incl. FAO.
- > **Preparation of the country Veterinary Services estimated budget.**
- > **Preparation of national or international investments.**

PVS Gap Analysis Missions

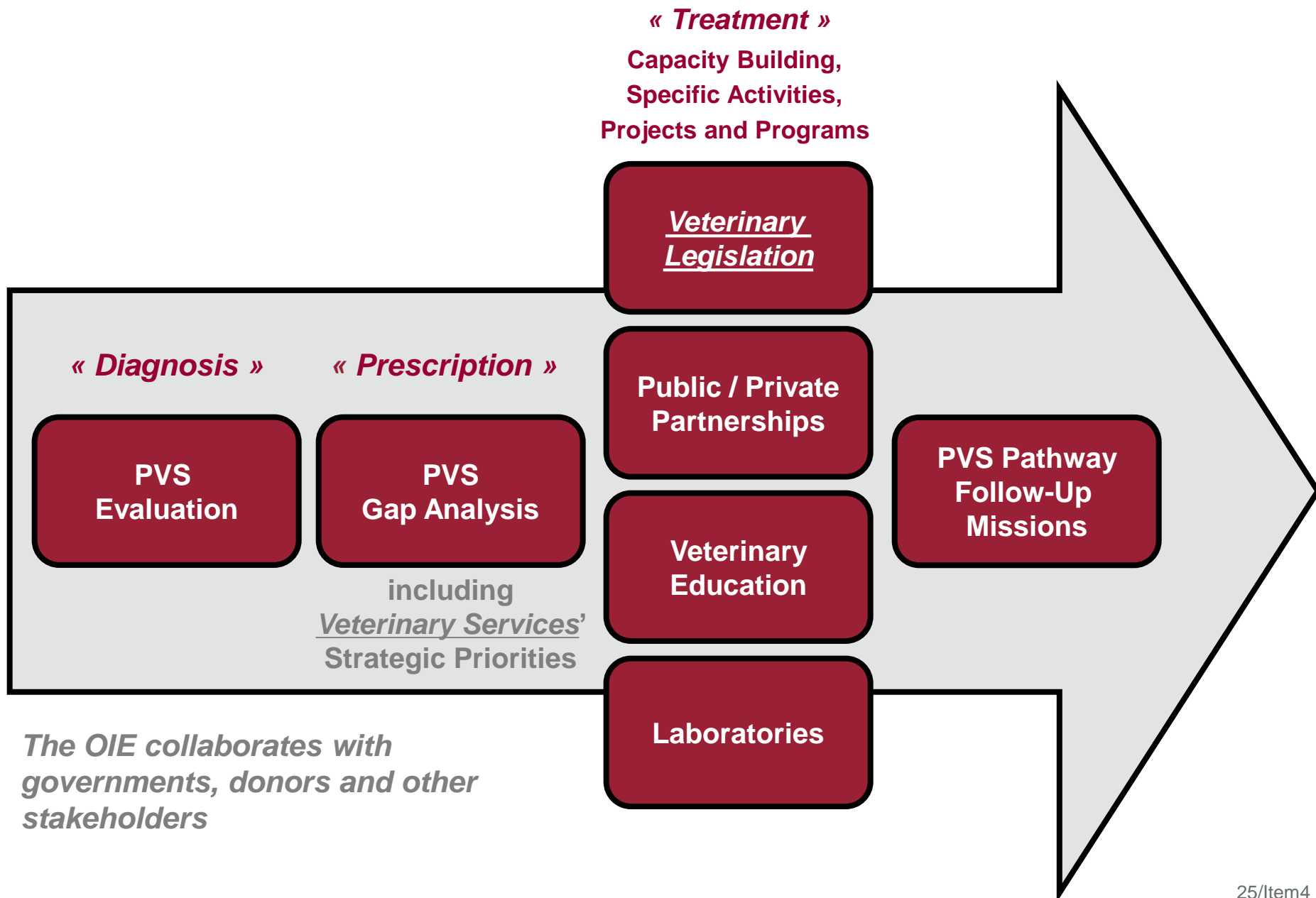
State of play (up to 1 March 2012)

	OIE Members	PVS Gap Analysis requests received	PVS Gap Analysis missions implemented	Reports available for (restricted) distribution to Donors and Partners
Africa	52	36	29	14
Americas	29	11	9	5
Asia, the Far East and Oceania	32	12	9	6
Europe	53	6	6	2
Middle East	12	8	2	0
TOTAL	178	73	55	27

The treatment

OIE Support Programme for Veterinary Legislation

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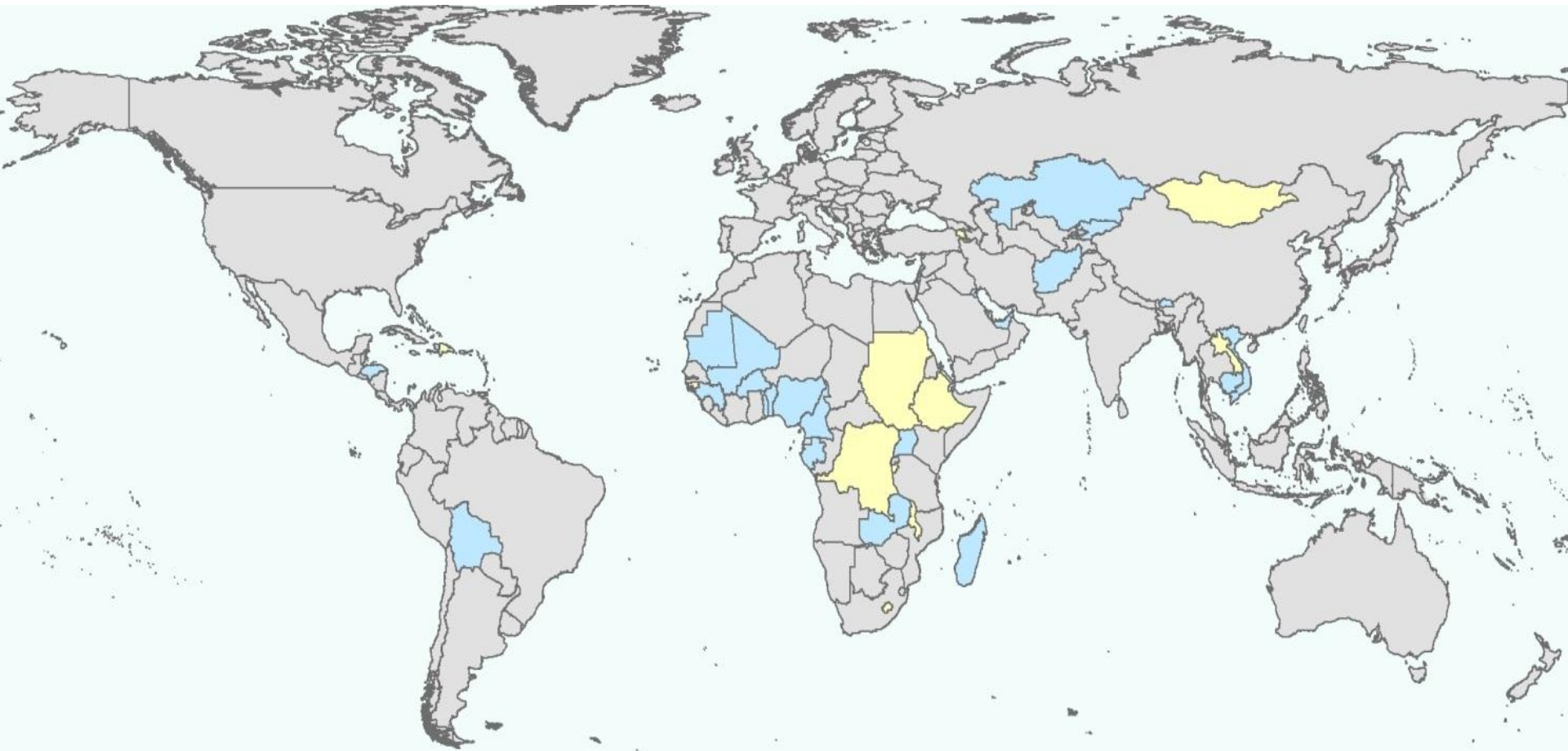
Veterinary Legislation Missions

State of play (up to 1 March 2012)

	OIE Members	PVS Legislation missions requests received	PVS Legislation missions implemented	PVS Legislation document received
Africa	52	21	14	12
Americas	29	4	2	2
Asia, the Far East and Oceania	32	5	3	3
Europe	53	3	2	1
Middle East	12	4	4	4
TOTAL	178	37	25	22

Overview of Veterinary legislation missions

01/03/2012



Missions requests

Mission completed

The treatment

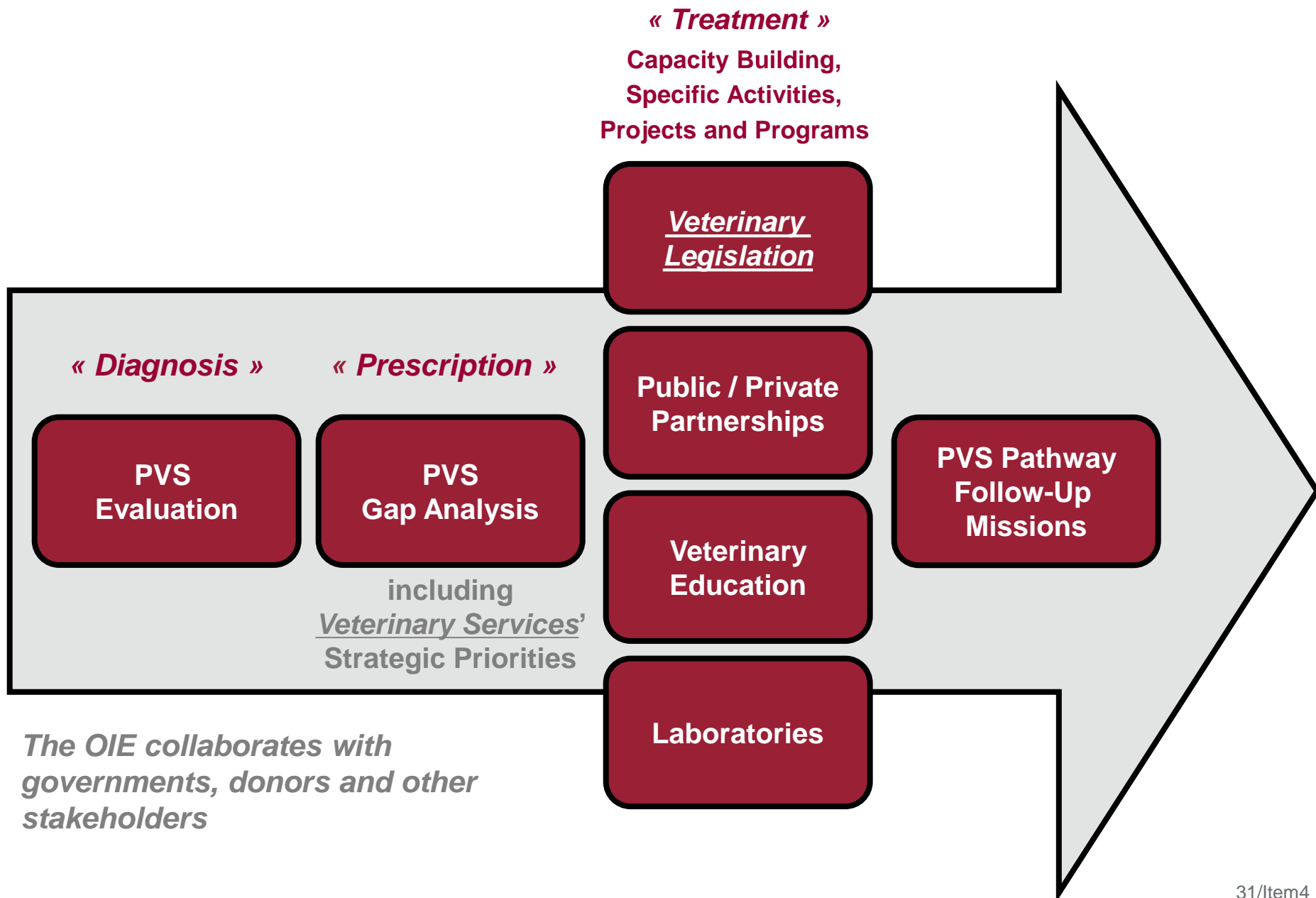
Other activities...

- > OIE PVS Evaluation of Aquatic Animal Health Services
- > Veterinary Education – Twinning;
- > Veterinary Statutory Body – Twinning;
- > Laboratory PVS Gap Analysis;
- > One Health PVS mission;
- > Round tables with donors.

PVS Pathway Follow-up Evaluations

*To monitor and accompany
progress made*

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PVS Pathway Follow-up Evaluations

- > **Initial country PVS evaluation = baseline** founded on democratically adopted OIE international standards on Quality of Veterinary Services.
- > **Regular country PVS Evaluation** missions are useful to assess, **monitor and accompany progress** made (change in legislation, structure, impact of national and international investments, technical capacities improved, etc.).
- > Every [2 to 5] years.
- > **Self-Evaluations** are also **possible**.



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